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## FANWOOD

On January 8th, Mrs. Robert Nicol, Chairman of the Ladies Committee, made a brief visit to the School. Mrs. Nicol came to discuss with Superintendent Skyberg plans for further furnishing of the new sittingroom for the older girls and presented to the School a generous gift of \$100 to be used in purchasing needed furnishings. With this financial assistance, the girls hope to make the appearance of the sittingroom much more cosy and comfortable.

The report from the Employment Center for the Handicapped on placement of deaf persons for the month of November 1933 is as follows:—

New York School for the Deaf, 4 individuals placed—Housework, Compositor and Pressman.

Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf-Mutes, 2 individuals placed—Moulder sample cards and Packer.

St. Joseph's Institute for the Improved Instruction of Deaf-Mutes, 4 individuals placed—Folder, Wilcox Operator, Feeder-pressman, Moulder and Wiring Lamps.

Other Schools, 8 individuals placed—Gluer on lampshades, Gluer, Wrapper, Hand Finisher, Polisher, Packer, Hand Sewer on gloves and Folder-inserter.

A meeting of the Fanwood Literary Association was held in the Chapel at 8 o'clock, Monday night, January 8th. The program, a three-act play entitled "The Cave of the Fates," was given by the Eighth Grade girls. The cast of characters was as follows:—

Grandmother Anna	Christine Durso
Margaret, her Granddaughter	Alice Gates
First Fate	Viola Jung
Second Fate	Marion Danks
Third Fate	Caroline Isaac
The New Year	Lucia Tauro
Bertrand, the Grandson	Marion Danks

### PROLOGUE

SCENE I. Grandmother Anna's cottage, at supertime on New Year's Eve.

SCENE II. The Cave of the Fates, near midnight on New Year's Eve.

SCENE III. In Grandmother Anna's cottage, an hour later, on New Year's morning.

Sylvia Auerbach acted as critic, her criticism consisting mainly of praise for the performers, all of whom acted their parts without a hitch.

The program was followed by a two-reel comedy, "Idle Workers," starring Slim Summerville.

Mrs. Nathan S. Jarvis paid a brief visit to the school on Tuesday, January 2d.

The Inquiring Reporter going around for more notes about the recent holiday doings finds that Superintendent and Mrs. Skyberg entertained Mr. and John Eglinton and Miss Harriett Johnson of Long Island, both Christmas and New Year week-ends.

Mr. Burdick and family celebrated Christmas with their cousins, the Miller family, at their home in Hackensack, N. J., about a mile from their house, and the Miller's reciprocated on New Year's.

The Burdicks had with them also on both occasions, Misses Mary and Lillie Church, long-time friends of the family from New York City, and on New Year's had their son and his wife from Philadelphia, very happy celebration all around.

Mr. Burdick spent some of his spare time decorating three antique chairs which have come down to them through at least three generations of different lines of the family. He also spent much time shoveling coal into the furnace, in an attempt to keep warm during one of the coldest holiday seasons in their remembrance.

Mr. and Mrs. Boatner spent a Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Dedrick in Haverstraw, N. Y. Mr. Boatner was in Syracuse, N. Y., two days attending the Education Convention.

Mrs. Boatner's uncle, Dr. J. W. Bailey, of the University of Richmond, visited them during the holidays, as did Mr. Boatner's brother, Yandell Boatner.

Mr. and Mrs. James G. Goodell motored from Schenectady, N. Y., to New York. Upon their return trip Miss Madge Dolph accompanied them. Mrs. Goodell is the sister of Miss Dolph. Miss Dolph spent Christmas and New Year's with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William N. Dolph, in Schenectady. It was very cold and at one time the thermometer registered 27 degrees below zero.

Miss Bost made many calls on friends, and one of them was a visit of a day with Mr. and Mrs. Gardner, in Scarsdale, whom she found quite well.

Miss Scofield spent Christmas with her brother and family in New Rochelle, and New Year's Day in White Plains with her cousins.

Mrs. Voorhees went to Ulster, Pa., to visit her mother.

Mrs. Swart took the opportunity to visit classes at the Lexington Avenue School.

Mrs. Nies stayed at home during most of the holidays, having guests for Christmas dinner. In spite of the sub-zero weather all the Nies family went coasting and reported no casualties.

Miss Berry made a trip to her home in Geneva, N. Y., during the holidays, and one day motored to Rochester.

Miss Martin enjoyed the vacation with her parents at their home in Fond du Lac, Wis.

Miss Peck spent most of the vacation in Caldwell, N. J., with the Foxes.

Miss Teegarden spent her time in Wilkesburg, cheering up her dad and mother.

Mrs. Dedrick was with friends in Connecticut part of her vacation.

Miss Burke visited friends in St. Louis, and had a wonderful time and delightful weather.

Mrs. Watson and her daughter were with relatives in the Bronx over the Christmas week-end.

Major and Mrs. Altenderfer went to the old homestead in Pennsylvania. They kept the home fires burning and survived the unprecedented cold spell. On the return trip they ran into fog so thick they had to follow the black or white traffic lines on the highways to know where they were going.

Miss Muirhead stayed with her brother and family at Clinton Heights, N. Y.

Miss Agnes Craig came back with a smile on her face, for while the stay-at-homes had a near-blizzard, not a flake of snow fell at Atlantic City where she was staying.

Mr. Crammatte hied himself to Washington, D. C., for a few days, but the change of climate put him on the sick list for a few days with tonsillitis.

The Fanwood varsity tossers opened the New Year right, when they encountered a team using the name Wingfoot A. C., on Saturday afternoon, January 6th, on the Fanwood court. The Wingfoots were helpless before Fanwood's fast passing, and on more than one occasion were looking

for the ball while some fleet Fanwoodite right behind them was making a basket with ease. Repeatedly frustrated in their quest for the ever-moving sphere, the Wingfoots could score only five points in the first half, to Fanwood's twenty-five. Coach Lux tried several combinations, all of which worked in near-perfect harmony. As a result Fanwood won by its widest margin in years: 53-8. All of the team played well, but Tommy Kolenda and Sandy Tedesco stood out

on offense and Joey Nuch likewise on defense. Next on the schedule is the strong St. Paul's School quintet of Garden City, L. I. With one of its best teams in years, Fanwood is looking forward to upsetting the Long Islanders.

The Barrager girls' team played a team of Washington Heights hearing girls from the Broadway Temple as a preliminary to the F. A. A. and Wingfoot game, and after leading at half-time, 9 to 6, matched basket for basket with the hearing girls. But the latter, with a pair of accurate-shooting forwards were not to be denied. The final score was: Barrager 19, Washington Heights, 24. Sylvia Auerbach starred for her team.

Thursday, January 4th, being Tony Lodese's birthday, he had the honor of being the first recipient of our "congratulations" for 1934.

### NEWS OF THE GIRLS SIDE

Several of the girls made some resolutions; some have resolved to keep a diary through the year. Wonder if they can keep the resolutions for the ensuing year. Here is one of them:

Eleanor Swanson resolved not to take things in haste. After celebrating the New Year party, Eleanor and her mother boarded the train in a hurry. Later they found it was not the train that they wanted. Eleanor broke her resolution so soon.

Lillie Polinsky spent a few days at Boston, Mass., and visited Harvard College with her cousin.

Mary Cail's aunt, whose home is in Michigan, surprised her family by visiting them during the Christmas holidays. Mary was very happy to see her aunt, whom she had not seen for a long time.

Roselle Weiner wore a brand new winter coat and took a stroll with her friend on a frozen lake. Suddenly Roselle fell through the ice into the water, which was three feet deep. She got out safe and sound, but the new coat was stiff with ice.

January 2d was Helen Scarito's birthday. She is fifteen years old. She invited her nine girl friends to celebrate with a party in the dining room.

S. A.

### A Valued Appreciation

Dear Colonel Skyberg:

Although I have ceased to be an active member of your wonderful organization, my interest in the welfare and progress of the School still continues.

It was, therefore, with extreme pleasure that I noted the new form and policy of the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL as typified by the current issue.

It is going to be a pleasure to know that in the future one will be able to find all the news of local interest on the front page instead of some remote part of the paper.

Please extend my compliments to Dr. Fox and Mr. Renner for the interesting items that appear in both the Editorial and Fanwood columns.

Sincerely yours

WILLIAM H. VAN TASSELL.

## NEW YORK CITY

The largest crowd of the season attended the eighth session of the Dactyl Club last Friday evening and the highest percentage was attained by the team of Messrs. Samuel Block and Mr. Edgar Bloom, Jr. This sterling pair captured 60 out of the possible 78 match points, for a remarkable percentage of .769. They practically ran away with the match as the second team, that of Mrs. Dorothy DeLaura and Mr. Benjamin Mintz, was 15 points behind. The standing for the Eighth Session:

Team	Match Points	Pct.
Samuel Block-Edgar Bloom, Jr.	60	.769
Mrs. DeLaura-Mr. Mintz	45	.577
Mr. Lowinson-Mr. Call	44	.564
Misses R. Brigham-M. Brigham	41	.525
Mr. Brandelstein-Mr. Cohen	40	.513
Mrs. Kenner-Miss Armstrong	38½	.494
Mrs. Call-Mr. Stein	36½	.468
Mrs. Lowinson-Miss Lillenstein	32	.410
Mrs. Lux-Miss Kretschmer	32	.410
Mrs. Catuna-Mr. Cohn	31	.397
Mrs. Baca-Miss Koblenz	29½	.378
Mrs. and Miss Underwood	28	.359
Miss Havens-Miss McVan	26½	.346

The K. L. D. basketballers demonstrated their prowess last Saturday evening, January 6th, when they defeated the strong team of the Margraf A. C. by a score of 29 to 26. The game was played at the Stuyvesant High School, West 15th Street, and beside these major attractions there were two other games. The K. L. D. second defeated the Brownsville A. C. by a big score.

The third game was between the Lexington Lassies, and the K. L. D. Lassies, and was easily won by the former by the score of 24 to 8.

N. A. D.

*All aboard!* The largest and swankiest social event of the season will assuredly be the "Winter Frolic," under auspices of the N. A. D. Convention Committee, to be held at the Hotel Pennsylvania, Seventh Avenue and 32d Street, this Friday evening, January 12th. Dress is optional—formal or informal, just as you please—but *come*.

Many prominent hearing persons, leaders among the deaf, and long absent friends, have signified their intention to be among those present. And we shall certainly be looking for you, too. Yes, Friday evening, January 12th is the date.

A Watch Night Party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Reilly over in Jersey City. Refreshments were served and there also was plenty of other fun. The party broke up in the early morn, all wishing each other "Good Luck" during the new year. The guests at the party were Messrs. and Mesdames James Lonergan, Emil Scheifler, Owen Coyne, John O'Connor, John C. Reilly, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schlijof and their three daughters, Gladys, Lillian and Helen; Miss Alice Carroll, Mr. Roy Hapward and Joseph Sanfilippo.

Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Klopsch gave a New Year's Eve party at their home. There were six couples, ladies in beach pajamas, gentlemen in house dresses, aprons and caps. Games, and prizes to the winners. A dainty supper was served at five minutes past twelve, beginning New Year's Day, and a box of cigars was presented to Mr. Leibsohn on his birthday by Mr. and Mrs. Klopsch. Those who were present were: Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Donovan, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thies, Mr. McLaren, Miss Elizabeth and Mr. Robert Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Leibsohn.

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## PENNSYLVANIA

The Christmas Social given by the Silent Mission in St. Luke's parish house, Scranton, was a pleasing success. Some forty persons attended the affair. A supper was served by Mesdames William H. Morgan, Lawrence Barrett, and J. Fred Eisele. Cards and other games were enjoyed in the evening. Mr. William H. Morgan was in charge.

After the services in Scranton on December 31st, the congregation repaired to the parish house for the annual election of officers. It was decided to dispense with a complete personnel, and have instead only a manager or chairman. Mr. William H. Morgan was elected to the office by acclamation. He immediately appointed Mr. J. Fred Eisele as mission treasurer. The Scranton mission now announces another social, to be held on January 20th.

The engagement of Miss Thelma Walters to Mr. Henry W. Deibel, Jr., has been formally announced. Both are residents of Wilkes-Barre. Mr. Deibel's father is a well-known physician of that city.

And that reminds us that Mr. Deibel's printing business is a going concern. His shop is at 189 Carey Avenue, Wilkes-Barre. When he left school he could not seem to find any satisfactory sort of a job. So in 1932 he went into business for himself, and prospered. He now has two job presses, about fifty fonts of type, and other necessary equipment, and employs one press feeder.

Mrs. O. Lynn Clark, of Scranton, visited her mother at Thompson, Pa., for a week during the holidays. She returned home on January 2nd.

Miss Helen Katus, of Freeland, who graduated from the Mt. Airy school in 1932, is now a Sophomore in the Hazleton-High School and is progressing well. Which reminds us that Mr. J. Clarence Reinmiller graduated from that same high school in 1912. Since then he has been one of the leading photographers of Hazleton, and is still in business at 88 S. Wyoming Avenue. In addition to his studio, he maintains a store handling photographic supplies, cameras, films, etc.

Now that the New Year is here, we are busy trying to remember to write 1934 when we date our correspondence. Not so easy!

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roberts, of Peckville, are both on the sick list.

Mr. Andrew Doss, who up to a few weeks ago was residing in Newark, N. J., where he worked in a silk mill, is now living in Scranton again, at the home of his parents. He expects to remain in Scranton.

The Hazleton Club for the Deaf will have an oyster supper and social on January 20th, in the club rooms at 26 E. Mine Street. Admission will be forty cents. With Joseph LaRocco in charge, a good time is promised to all.

Mr. LeRoy Gerhard, who is assistant instructor of shoemaking at the Mt. Airy school, was home in Hazleton over the holidays. He returned to the school on December 31st.

Mrs. Rebecca Ohmer, who formerly resided in New York, is now living with her mother in Scranton. She expects to remain there.

Miss Lenore Heisler, of Pottsville, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stronphauer at Pine Grove during the New Year holidays.

Hazleton has no less than three deaf shoemakers who are in business for themselves. They are Messrs. Austin Sargeant, Walter Pasko, and Joseph LaRocco. After being in that business for years, the depression forced Mr. LaRocco to close up shop last October. But on December 15th, he started business again at 703 Alter Street, with a nice shop containing a stitcher, finishing machine, and bootblack stand. He reports business as being fair. Formerly he maintained a delivery service.

The following is from the Hazleton Plain Speaker:

"The list of registered voters in Luzerne County on file at the courthouse reveals that the oldest registered voter in the county is a Hazleton man—Anton Toter, of 426 S. Poplar Street. He gives his age as 100, and says he is a native of Eckley and has resided in this state for forty-one years. Mr. Toter is registered as a Democrat."

Our own Gustave Irovando is the grandson of the Mr. Toter above referred to. Gustave is a good Democrat himself, and judging by his school-boy complexion, he should live to a 100 also.

We have listened to quite a few complaints from deaf workers who charge that their employers are paying them a wage below the standard agreed upon under NRA codes. In most cases, the deaf alone are thus discriminated against. Our advice in such cases has been to get in touch with the local NRA board. But the deaf appear reluctant to do that, assuming that it will mean the loss of their jobs. However, that should not occur if the assurances from Washington are to be accepted. A preliminary announcement states that there is to be a survey, under the auspices of the Federal government, of the employment situation as it affects the deaf. This is good news, and we hope that some practical results may be achieved. Given a chance, the average deaf man is a capable worker. During recent years however, it has become increasingly difficult for the deaf to find employment of any sort. As a last resort, numbers of them have been driven to peddling as a means of livelihood. If given other employment, they will unquestionably prefer regular work to the uncertainties of selling small household articles.

Pennsylvania's goosebone weather prophets are in high good humor these days. Their predictions of a cold winter bid fair to be realized. December went one better over the freakish weather experienced in November. Sub-zero figures prevailed over most of the state, which was under many inches of snow everywhere. Michael Kuchar, of Milnesville, claims that the thermometer outside his house registered 15 below zero. But he should worry; he lives right alongside a coal mine.

### Amsterdam, N. Y.

Mrs. Leonard Wasserman entertained at her home recently in observance of her husband's birthday with a grand party. It turned out to be a really delightful surprise for Mr. Wasserman, for he was, indeed, taken unawares of his coming birthday. Another pleasant surprise which was sprung on him was the gift of a Parker vacuum filler fountain pen and pencil set from the guests.

For a moment or two, he was at a loss for so immense was his surprise and pleasure and finally, when he was collected, he expressed his appreciation, and proved it fully by disclosing the most interesting or rather thrilling reviews of his courtings with his wife before they marched to the altar, making the occasion a most enjoyable one for the guests.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. H. Bedell, Mr. and Mrs. H. McQuade, Mr. and Mrs. H. Stecker, Mr. and Mrs. Geith, Miss E. Steltzner, Messrs. Klier, Barnes and Trainor.

### St. Matthew's Lutheran Mission for the Deaf

ARTHUR BOLL, Pastor

192 Hewes Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Services for the deaf in sign-language every Sunday afternoon in the church, 177 South 9th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., at 3 P.M. The church is located near the Plaza of the Williamsburg Bridge on South 9th Street, between Driggs Avenue and Roebing Street. Marcy Avenue is the nearest station on the Broadway Elevated.

Sunday School for the Deaf and instruction for adults in St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish House, at 145th and Convent Avenue, New York City, from 6:30 to 8 P.M. The rooms are located on the third floor.

## PHILADELPHIA

News items for this column should be sent to Howard S. Ferguson, 250 W. Sparks St., Olney, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Deaf Exchange, which was so helpful to the unemployed deaf of Philadelphia last winter, will resume operations at All Souls' Church for the Deaf, Sixteenth Street, above Allegheny Avenue, commencing Thursday, January 4th. The exchange is intended to aid all deserving deaf folks, without regard to their religious affiliations. The only thing necessary for membership in the Exchange is being in need of help. Mrs. William E. Rothmund, who managed the Exchange so well last year, will again have charge of it. Every Thursday afternoon work will be provided for the deserving deaf; in return for their work they will be replenished with food, clothing, coal and other necessities.

There will be a grab-bag party at All Souls' Church January 13th, under the able direction of Mrs. Pulver and Miss Sindell. Proceeds for the benefit of the church.

The Rt. Rev. Francis Marion Taitt, Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, Protestant-Episcopal, will make his annual visitation to All Souls' Church Sunday, January 14th, at the afternoon service, 3:30 P.M.

The Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf will congregate at All Souls' for a business meeting on Saturday afternoon, January 20th, at 2:30 P.M. In the evening, for the benefit of the Philadelphia Local Branch, P. S. A. D., there will be a supper, with movies afterwards.

Lured by the chance of finding a five-dollar bill hidden somewhere on the premises of the Silent Athletic Club, a capacity crowd almost tore the club apart in their anxiety to find the coveted five bucks last New Year's Eve. A limited time was set to find the money. When the time was up the five-dollar bill was still safely hidden away. Then the genial chairman, Jack Stanton, showed where it was: under the leg of one of the radiators in the room. One of the hunters almost had it in his clutches when he ran his penknife under the leg and cut the bill in half, but failed to dislodge it. Since nobody won it, it went to the club's treasury (to pay for part of the damages to the premises) and everybody was rewarded with a drink of Esslinger's, on the house.

A big blowout, to blow out the old year, was given by Mr. and Mrs. Sylvan G. Stern, of Logan, to twenty-two people, on Sunday evening, December 31st. Commencing at nine bells, four tables of pinochle and "500" were indulged in until nearly twelve o'clock. Useful prizes were given to the high-scorers of each table, the following being the winners: Pinochle—Mr. Joseph Tosti and Mr. Nathan Schwartz; "500"—Mrs. Nathan Schwartz and Mr. M. Schwartz. Then a bounteous spread, as only Mrs. Stern can give, was relished, after which games and more refreshments were enjoyed by everybody till the wee small hours of morn.

Mr. and Mrs. David Bagdon, of York, came over to Philly for the New Year's week-end. They spent Friday night with the Tostis of Olney, and then repaired to their relatives, where they spent the rest of their stay. Davey is a former Mt. Airy boy, who has been fascinated by New York, where he now lives. His better half, formerly Fay Goldberg, is a New Yorker by birth and came from the Lexington Avenue school.

The writer had a chance to call on the Armors, Lloyd and Evelyn (nee Lever) and glimpse the wonderful miniature railroad layout, spread on a wooden platform eight by eight feet, that Papa Armor made for his two children. Everything necessary that goes to make up a railroad were there, and besides there were three sets of trains running at the same time. But, according to Lloyd, it took a good deal of his time to get them working right,

and it was well worth it, say we.

We hear that Paddy McArdle has landed a job at the Ford plant at Edgewater, N. J., working as a checker, verifier and packer in the export service that supplies the material for all the Ford plants at all parts of the world. Paddy seems to like to work for Henry, having seen service in Detroit, Mich., Chester, Pa., and now Edgewater. Where next, Paddy?

The final meeting of the Frat Frolic Committee prior to the Ball on February 3d, was held at ye scribe's abode on December 27th. Business of picking the sub-committees were attended to, and other final items that popped up, such as the hiring of music, getting checkroom tickets ready, and other necessities were cleared up. The committee has been on their toes to put this affair over, and they hope that everyone that can, will come. NO prizes will be awarded for costumes, but this does not mean that costumes are barred. To those out-of-towners who happen to read this, why not spend a gala week-end in Philly. Friday night, February 2d, is regular Frat meeting night. Saturday afternoon, February 3d, there should be a basketball game at the P. S. D., then in the evening the Frat Frolic, of course, (only 55 cents, including wardrobe). Sunday, February 4th, the Silent Athletic Club rooms will be open to all visitors.

Miss Nessa Cohen hied to New York for the New Year's celebration at the Deaf-Mutes' Union League. She plans to spend a week in Knickerbocker Town before returning home.

H. S. F.

### Lankaitis - Godley

A quiet wedding ceremony was performed Sunday afternoon, December 31st, at 4 o'clock in Old Trinity Church, Newark, N. J., when Miss Orma Lankaitis, adopted child of Mr. and Mrs. James Patton, 1153 Magnolia Avenue, Elizabeth, N. J., became the bride of Clifford Godley, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Godby, Harrison, N. J. Rev. M. Zaebst, Newark, and Rev. Guilbert C. Braddock, vicar of St. Ann's Church for the Deaf of New York, officiated at the ceremony, in the presence of a member of relatives, friends and deaf people.

The bride wore an afternoon gown of eel black crepe and black hat with matching accessories and a corsage of little Talisman roses. The bride was attended by her girl friend, Miss Violet M. Block, as bridesmaid, who was attired in an afternoon dress of light blue crepe. Her flowers were a corsage of pink roses. Edward J. Smolen, Elizabeth, N. J., was best man.

The bride is a former pupil of the New Jersey School for the Deaf, West Trenton, and Bruce School, Newark. Mr. Godley is a graduate of the New Jersey School and was one-time All-State football star among the high schools of the state.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in a private dining room of the Patton Tea Room, Elizabeth, N. J. Those who attended the ceremony and reception were: Mr. and Mrs. Godley, Mr. and Mrs. James Patton, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lankaitis, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Meehan, Mr. and Mrs. John Walsh, Leslie A. Watson, John A. Schmitt, Helen Hudnett, Adelaide Thompson, Loretta A. Klein Mike Prokojink, Jessie A. Lawrence, Delbert E. Willis, Theresa M. Oravoky, Rose Vanico, Dorothy Block, George F. Schmitt, Frank W. Schmitt, Jr., Betty Balint, Anthony Tafro, Martin Lankaitis, Jerry Newman, Edward J. Smolen, Violet M. Block and Otto R. Mangum.

Mr. and Mrs. Godley are living in the new apartment in Elizabeth, N. J. —O. R. M.

A pretense of indifference is usually an attempt to disguise a sense of failure.

Learn to enjoy the beauty at hand—the sky, the trees, the flowers, the songs of birds, the roar of the sea.



## CHICAGO

Harold Dahl is dead. The pleasant young Swede custodian of the historic Pas-a-Pas Club, died of tuberculosis in an infirmary, December 28th. Dahl was a willing worker—but unskilled. He proves the truth of the contention of Elwood Stevenson, superintendent of the California school, that the main objectives of our schools today should not be methods of instruction, but finding jobs for graduates and properly preparing them to fit those jobs. About the last time I saw little Dahl, he was hawking souvenirs outside Soldiers' Field Stadium the last time Rockne directed his Notre Dame team against Southern California. Dahl would work, but like many of us, he did not earn much. Insufficient clothing in cold weather finally brought him down. He was well liked by all who knew him.

Ear frozen—32 degrees below zero! Arthur Shawl, famous Gallaudet College football star of the '18-'19-'20 teams, drove his little wife and her two pretty hearing sisters to their ancestral home for Christmas—some 385 miles away up in the northern tip of Wisconsin. Coming back they ran kersmack into a blizz of a blizzard—32 degrees below. Car had no heater, and the five nearly froze. After the radiator froze several times, the party finally returned to civilization—with deep admiration for Peary, Byrd, and kindred polar explorers. Shawl's ears stuck out from his head like the rudder-fin of a Zeppelin for several days—and even now he can't look a thermometer in the eye without a shudder.

Misses Virginia Dries and Irene Crafton were caught in the same blizzard, returning from a Christmas with relatives in Peoria. They threaten to write their congressman demanding a Constitutional amendment prohibiting the Weather Bureau from ordering any more cold-waves during the holidays.

The Meaghers had as their two-week holiday guest, a pupil from the State school, Albin Carlson, from the Joliet Swedish Orphanage. Albin is 15, the same age as was Meagher, Jr., when killed at football two years ago. He was given a party on the 29th, to which a raft of schoolmates were invited. One of the guests was Ruth Grange, aged 19, cousin of the famous "Red" Grange. She acted the role of "Miss N. F. S. D." in that unforgettable Silver Jubilee of the Frats, 1926. Ruth graduated from Parker Oral School last June, and is taking a two years' course at Jacksonville, hoping to pass the Gallaudet College entrance examinations.

The customary New Year parties were quite moist this year—must have been dozens of small affairs scattered around town among Deafdom. Perhaps the most adventurous was that held in the Gus Hyman cottage on the Indiana Dunes—three auto-loads of young folks ventured out on that desolate sandy waste to dine, dance and make merry. Miss Caroline Hyman, a Senior at Gallaudet College, was there—having passed all her semester exams with an "A," except for gym work. So was Andrew Hnatow, of Flint, Mich. The bunch started back for Chicago at 9 A.M., making an uneventful trip. Miss Hyman has since returned to her classes at Gallaudet.

Pas-a-Pas and Beidler Silent Club were the only known clubs that ventured to hold New Year Eve parties open to all. There were likewise private parties, majority of them predominantly in north side, averaging 16 to 20 persons to each, with one exception, as rumor has it, that had about 45 under one roof.

Miss Rose Budnitsky unexpectedly left Chicago for an indefinite visit. All her friends in Chicago felt chagrined not to have the opportunity to bid her a goodbye and good wishes.

It was reported that previously Mrs. Horace Perry was paralyzed in the arm from an automobile accident. It was learned from a personal contact that it was not as bad as that. She can use both arms as well as ever.

Pretty Miss Mary Ruppert, of Pittsburgh, spent the New Year period with the Harry Petersons here.

Fred Lee, staff-artist on the *Chicago American*, spent Christmas with his folks in Lincoln, Neb. He reports our former famed femme—Miss Emma Maser, the burning blonde convention celebrity—is still hibernating in that neck of the cornfields.

Miss Bessie Lawson, a former Chicagoan, but now girls' supervisor at the Ohio school, spent her Christmas vacation here.

The Walter Whitsons drove out to the old homestead in Topeka, Kansas, and back inside five days. Some drivers, working the controls in relays—father, mother and the kid, who is now in Junior High.

Coach Robey Burns of the Illinois school met a few chosen friends here, then hopped a rattler to spend the holidays with his mother in Washington, D. C.

Coach Frederick Neesam, of Wisconsin, was seen around town drumming up trade for his basketball tournament February 23d-24th.

Two bridge-tables at Meagher's Irish shanty on the 30th, followed by a feed, including a number of unexpected "drop-ins"—both locals and out-of-towners. The climax came when each was asked to relate his or her most thrilling experience of 1933. Mrs. Michaelson's was the sudden death of her father; Mrs. Ursin's was the clean-out of her flat by burglars; Shawl's, his frozen ear and the 32-degree polar stunt; Mrs. Meagher's, the wreck of her Buick in Kansas; Meagher's, his gun fight with a negro holdup man last January.

Bandmaster Frederick Fancher of the State school brought eight boys from Jacksonville for the Christmas vacation, on the 20th, and took them back on January 3d. Fancher drove one of his cars, and his 19-year-old daughter, Anna, steered the other benzine buggy. The Illinois and Fawcett schools are the only ones having deaf bands.

### THIRD FLAT.

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## Minneapolis and St. Paul

Thompson Hall celebrated Christmas Eve in fine style. A big crowd turned out and the kids had everything. The decorations were tasty. Chairman McNeill kept things going in fine style.

New Year's Eve was celebrated with a whoopee at Thompson Hall. Hilarity was the rule.

Lawrence Ryan and Helen Engel announce their engagement.

Mrs. May Fallow, mother of Mrs. J. J. McNeil, seventy, passed away.

Paul R. Wys, of Rancho Los Amigos, California, seems to have writer's palsy as no one here has received any word from him since October 1st.

Mrs. Mabel Hansen seems to be prospering at Redstone, Mont.

Ray Findler has gone back to work in Milwaukee after a long, long layoff. There will be a survey of handicapped people in the Twin Cities soon. It will give employment to the deaf.

The Bentz live stock was lost in the late cold snap. Charles Bahl, Stapleton, lost his place by fire.

Boyd Willey, who has a shoe repair shop at Brown Valley, Mont., was in town.

Distribution of surplus clothing from the United States has helped many Twin Cities deaf people.

Mrs. Bergh visited in the Twin Cities over the holidays. We met in Spokane, Yakima and Seattle, Wash., before 1920.

Fred Monchamp won his claim against the street railway for injuries suffered in a collision. They paid all the expenses and gave him a monthly settlement.

Cold snaps are an expense to the careless car owner. A St. Paul deaf-mute must put in a new block in his Ford or trade in for another used or new car.

THEO. C. MUELLER.

## Kansas City

A number of deaf people from Olathe, Kan., were here to do their Christmas shopping. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Foltz, Frank Mikesell and Mary Ross.

The K. C. Division of the N. F. S. D. had its annual Christmas party on December 23rd. Because no admission was charged, many people, who usually stay at home showed up, and they helped to make a good time possible for all. Several games were played, and just before the party broke up, the unexpected appearance of old Saint Nick, alias Ray Stanfill, (a jolly fellow as ever) thrilled many children, who timidly approached to shake hands with him. Then Santy personally awarded prizes to the winners of the contests, and gave away groceries to those holding lucky numbers.

Miss Kathryn Buster, a teacher at the Ohio State School, could not wait till June to see her new home. To make a long story short, she somehow came and was here about two weeks, and then left for Columbus on January 1st. May she work in peace!

Miss Mary Ross spent two days with Miss Buster and her family, and they together with Max Mossel had a Sunday dinner. Miss Ross left December 31st, to resume her work as teacher at the Kansas School the following day.

Still some more about her. Miss Ross had not got over a thrilling experience of seeing her brother, an aviator, land in the backyard, just in time for dinner. Her brother came from Tulsa, Okla., and he dropped down some forty miles from home to telephone his mother that he would be home in ten minutes or so. And he made it.

As a result of an automobile accident, Mrs. G. T. Simpson is laid up in a hospital here, and her husband sustained on his head a nasty cut which required several stitches.

The story goes that Mr. and Mrs. Simpson were returning to Olathe after a visit to their relatives. The car developed a motor trouble and they were detained for a day. The following morning they started out and toward evening with several miles to Olathe, lights from an approaching truck blinded Mr. Simpson, who, unable to see his way, swerved into a ditch to avoid the possible collision.

Mrs. Simpson was thrown clear out of the car. The driver of the truck did not stop to aid them; however, another car was not long in coming, and the injured couple were taken to the nearest place for a first aid treatment.

An X-ray picture taken of Mrs. Simpson disclosed a wrenched back and one of the vertebrae cracked in three places. At present her back is in a plaster cast and will be at least two months. It is doubtful whether she will be able to walk before six months.

Mrs. Simpson is a teacher in an advanced class at the Kansas School, and it is likely that her husband will take her place for a while.

The day on which this accident occurred, their house caught fire, but luckily only minor damage was done.

This series of misfortune in a way reminds us of Job of the Bible, and while we sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. Simpson, we are glad that nothing worse happened to them.

For years the Missouri School was without a "gym," and many unsuccessful attempts to secure one were made. However, before the year is over, the school will have it. The following was clipped from a paper here, and it may be of interest to the readers:—

"Excavation was started here today for a gymnasium for the Missouri School for the Deaf. The school has been handicapped several years, especially in basketball, because of the lack of such facilities. The new plant will have an auxiliary gymnasium, lockers and dressing rooms, apparatus room, swimming pool and basement."

More details, when available, will be given in the other letter.

The K. C. Division gave a "watch party" downtown on December 31st. The largest crowd was there in full force, and welcomed the new year with din and hope for better times.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Stigleman and Mrs. Offie Moore, of Tulsa, were visitors here and met many old friends at the watch party.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wellbaum spent the holidays with their parents in St. Joseph, Mo., and they all returned here for New Year's Day.

A monthly card party will be held at Community Church, Thirty-Second and Forest Streets, on January 12th. An admission of twenty-five cents will be charged, and prizes will be awarded, as usual. Mrs. Oscar Sanford will be in charge of it.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther ("Dummy") Taylor were visitors at Olathe, Kansas, last week, and they had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Foltz on January 4th. M. M.

## Buffalo, N. Y.

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ode entertained the Kicuwa Club at their charming home on Pine Hill with a Christmas grab bag party. The club invited their many friends. The evening was spent in telling childhood Christmas stories and playing games. The young ladies donated a delicious luncheon, which was served on small tables. Mrs. Ode, who is the club's president, is always a most gracious hostess.

Little Wilbur Johncox, Jr., who attends the Rochester School for the Deaf, is spending his holiday vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Johncox on Carl Street.

Miss Ellen Weffer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Weffer, of LaSalle, N. Y., who attends the Rochester School, is spending her holidays at home with her parents.

Mrs. Felix Nowak is ill in the City Hospital. She will be glad if her friends visit her.

Mrs. Herbert Grover suffered the loss of her home by fire recently. She was residing with her husband and his parents on a farm in East Aurora. They are now residing in Buffalo, and both Mr. and Mrs. Grover and Gladys wish to thank their many friends, who have so kindly helped them with clothing, etc. Mrs. Grover was Miss Helena Sullivan before her marriage. There are three charming children who can hear, Doris, 11; Geraldine, 9; John, 5.

Mr. Cum. Lockwood, of Perry, N. Y., has been visiting his aunt and friends here in Buffalo.

The Kicuwa Club's party, which was held in the Elmwood Music Hall, was quite a success, thanks to the president, Mrs. Ode, the chairman, Gladys Grover, and the committee. The club is planning to have an entertainment in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Moore, of Philadelphia, are now making their home in Buffalo. The deaf extend a hearty welcome to them.

The Frat's New Year Eve party, which was held in Crescent Hall, with Mr. Robert Heacock, chairman, assisted by Mr. T. Hunt, Mr. Leo Cylka, Mr. E. Briel, Mr. A. Lerner, Mr. A. Ode and others, was a big success. Cards were played and some nice and useful prizes went to the winners. Several out-of-town Frats were present. The Frats will hold another social at Highland Hall, corner Fillmore and LeRoy Avenue, in the near future.

The Joint Charities for the Deaf of Buffalo held a meeting in the deaf school on Main Street recently and found that the treasury had grown so big that they were able to give assistance to a good many deaf persons who have been out of work. This good work was headed by the president, Mr. Sol. Weil; the treasurer, Mr. Joseph Spahn, assisted by Mrs. Bashen and Miss Palmgreen. There will be election for new officers some time in January at the school.

G. G.

Dec. 31.



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IN musing over the events of the past year we are stimulated by the assurance that, whatever may happen in the new year to strain our fortitude, it can scarcely bring anything worse than was bequeathed by the old. In fact, the old year itself may well be pardoned, at least to some extent, as bringing forth merely what had been planted before its day. Without presuming to be a prophet, and aside from the unforeseen action of natural phenomena, the future will furnish both good and evil, successes and failures. There is happily left to us, in Pandora's box of assorted ills, one comforting thought—the hope for more blessings than afflictions, and the determination to improve present conditions.

There have gradually entered into the national life new ideas and principles, particularly in governmental and international relationships. We witness the Federal government experimenting with various plans in the hope of overcoming the distress that has overwhelmed this country, as it has all other nations. Under governmental leadership our people anticipate the gradual removal of errors of the past, which have so greatly contributed to the present downfall in financial affairs, business and employment. The trials of adversity through which our people have gone in the past few years have turned into a discerning and safe guide for the future.

For one thing it has emphasized the value of cooperation, the interdependence of all classes of people upon one another. There has come a turn in our economic and industrial life as a consequence of the reverses which we have been experiencing in the past

several years that has sobered all to a realization of changes that are needed. Viewing the recent past, comparing it with the present hopeful conditions, there exists a lively confidence for improvement in all lines of endeavor in the coming of the new year. May all anticipations in this direction come true.

A NEW member of publications for the deaf (or rather the resumption of an old friend) has made its bow in *The New Ephpheta* which, after a score of years, intends to fill the place formerly occupied by *Ephpheta*; it intends to follow the aim and policies of its predecessor. Its editor, Mr. Jerry Fives, of Brooklyn, announces that "Our field of endeavor will be in the interest of the Catholic deaf, to nourish their immortal soul with religious subjects, while at the same time developing their natural facilities."

In this laudable effort, we wish for the editor and his publication every possible success.

## GALLAUDET COLLEGE

By Felix Kowalewski

The New Year was welcomed in by a hilarious party in the men's refectory on Sunday night, December 31st. The room was very nicely decorated and blue and yellow streamers were stretched across from one end of the room to the other at a height of about eight feet from the floor, forming a network that prevented the balloons from floating up to the ceiling. The dancing was continuous from ten o'clock, and punch was served in the chapel.

At the stroke of twelve, the new year was ushered in with a terrific din of noise-makers and blaring of horns, while the Seniors went up to the Chapel Tower where they listened in to the solemn strokes of the clock announcing another year. "Good-nights" (or rather, "Good-mornings") were said, and the party dispersed at one o'clock, with everyone remarking that it was by far the best New Year's eve party they had ever attended.

On New Year's Day, the Y.W.C.A. held "open house," serving tea in the girl's reading room in Fowler Hall from four to six. A mixed supper was held at six o'clock, with motion pictures in Chapel Hall from eight to ten.

Wednesday afternoon, January 3d, the Tenth Legion (Freshman Latin Club) held a meeting in Fowler Hall from one to three o'clock, with their teacher, Mrs. Gough, as chaperon. A short program was given, with Olaf Tollefson declaiming a satirical poem, "A Lay of Ancient Rome," and Miss Georgiana Krepela giving an interesting story of two slaves who became freemen.

A Latin spelling game was played, becoming real fun toward the end. Refreshments of tea and sandwiches were served and the boys regretfully left for gym classes with full stomachs and talking of an enjoyable afternoon.

The new set-up of the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL was favorably received by the student body here, as it is more convenient to handle and does not take up so much room on the Reading Room newspaper stands.

Friday evening, a social was held in Chapel Hall and games and dancing were indulged in. A basketball game was played in the Old Gym between the Kendall School boys and the Mt. Rainier High School in which the latter team triumphed by the score of 31 to 21. A closely fought game between our gym class boys

and the Miller Furniture Company finally ended in the Company's favor 34 to 31.

The Fowler Hall lassies began their basketball season last week, with several practice games being held for trying out those who wished to play. Teams will be formed and a tournament held the near future.

Miss Arietta Clark, a Sophomore, departed for her home in Tennessee on leave of absence for the remainder of the college year. We hope to see her back with us this fall.

Saturday morning, January 6th the men students assembled in the Lyceum to elect new officers of the various societies for the second term. The following officers were elected for the Gallaudet College Athletic Association: President, Emil Ladner, '35; first vice-president, Ralph Gelsko, '36; second vice-president, Leo Ragsdale, '36; Secretary, Stanley Patrie, '36; treasurer, Francis Higgins, '36; scorer, Louis Sorenson '36; assistant scorer, George Parks, '37.

Stephen Koziar, '34, was re-elected president of the Literary Society, with Philip Hanover, '35, as vice-president; Gordon Hirschy, '36, secretary; and Louis Josefowski, '37, treasurer. A committee of seven was chosen to draw up arrangements and plans for the loving-cup that was presented to the society by Tom L. Anderson, of Iowa.

A contest will be held to determine the best storyteller and the student winning will have his name engraved on the cup. The contest was started last year as a story telling contest, but several disputes have arisen as to its original purpose—whether it is for story telling, poetry, or oratory. These disputes were left to be decided by the committee.

Since no plays or presentations had been given during the first term, the members of the former Saturday Night Dramatic Club unanimously re-elected the officers of the first term, namely: president, Thomas Ulmer, '34; vice-president, John Leicht, '36; secretary, Earl Sollenberger, '34; treasurer, Calvin Long, '35.

Since most of the organization's plays will be given on Friday, a motion was made to change the name of the organization. After a stormy session, the Dramatic Club was finally voted upon, and henceforth all advertisements and mentions of the club will be announced under this name.

Since ping-pong is listed among the sports on the intramural program of the colleges of the district, two new tables have been installed in the Lyceum and the boys have been practicing daily. Several exceptionally good players have been noticed, and the others will be weeded out in the near future.

At a special meeting of the members of the football squad, Rudolph Gamblin, '35, was elected captain of the 1934 team. He has been a regular guard on our team for the past two seasons. Only three of our players will be lost through graduation—Heimo Antila, guard; George Brown, end; and Robert Baughman, end. However, they were among our best players and will be hard to replace, especially the 215-pound double of Carnera. Baughman, who was given honorable mention on the all-district eleven. Brown and Baughman made a perfect combination as ends, and it is up to the substitutes as well as new entrants to live up to them this fall. The prospects for our 1934 season are much brighter and we have hopes of several victories.

Saturday evening, January 13th, our matmen will grapple in a practice match with the Washington Wrestling Club at the old gym at 8 p. m. A regular match is scheduled with the University of Maryland to take place here on the evening of January 17th, and will be followed by a bout with Johns Hopkins University here on the 20th. Quite a good deal of publicity

has been given the team lately, including a two-column write-up and a photograph of George Culbertson, P. C., being pinned in the Unlimited Class in the match with the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, in their weekly paper last December. A photo taking up nearly three quarters of the page was published in the Washington *Times* recently, showing Stanley Patrie, 155 lbs., applying a body press hold on Garden Hirschy, 145 lbs.

In one of the fastest games ever played on our court, a fiercely fighting Gallaudet basket-ball team, lost out to the Catholic University Cardinals 33 to 21. The Blues started the game with a rush, shooting several neat field goals till the score stood 10 to 3 in our favor. The Cards could not get through our defensive system, so resorted to long shots in the second quarter and aided by Lieb, their center, who found the basket three times in succession, they brought the score up to 13 to 10 in their favor at the half.

During the third quarter, they quickly ran up a decisive lead, but our team soon tightened and after that one of the fiercest basketball battles that ever was fought on our court took place. The play was so fast, that the referee had all he could do to keep up with the game as well as get out of the way of the charging players. Rayhill and Crockett were the outstanding players for Gallaudet in the final period, the former running up eight points to the latter's six. Heimo Antila was a formidable war-horse with his dribbling charges, and Ken Burdette and Merle Goodwin made a very good showing, though they were continually battered by an avalanche of Cardinals whenever they tried to get close enough for a basket. McVean and Rosenfield aided the Cardinals' scoring with eight and ten points, respectively. George Brown, our star forward was unable to play because of a sprained ankle. However, he is able to walk around now, and we have high hopes of turning the tables on the Cardinals when we meet them again on their court on January 26th. Our team will clash with the Fort Meade basketballers on the latter's court on January 13th. The summary is given below:

GALLAUDET (21)				CATHOLIC U. (33)			
	G	F	P		G	F	P
Rayhill, f	4	0	8	Gearty, f	0	0	0
Ellerhorst, f	0	0	0	McVean, f	4	0	8
Crockett, f	2	2	6	Morrison, f	0	0	0
Antila, c	1	1	3	Lieb, c	5	1	11
Burdette, g	1	0	2	Gallier, c	0	0	0
Hoffmeister, g	0	0	0	Rosenfield, g	5	0	10
Goodin, g	1	0	2	White, g	2	0	4
Totals	9	3	21	Totals	16	1	33

Referee—J. Mitchell (Approved Board)  
Time of quarters—10 min. Score at half—  
C. U. 13, Gallaudet 10.

## Portland, Oregon

The Christmas service held Saturday night, December 23d, in the Hope Lutheran Church was well attended, with seats nearly all full. Rev. Eichmann preached an interesting sermon on the birth of Christ. After the service Santa Claus got busy at the big tree, distributing presents. Every child received a box of candy. Finishing the tree, all went below in the basement, where the evening was spent playing bunco, in which Mrs. Elkin and Mr. Urban won the prizes. Mr. Cas. Lawrence, of Vancouver, Wash., the barnyard golf fan, brought over his indoor rubber horseshoes and a few good games were played. A big plate of good eats free ended a fine time for all. Service was held Sunday also.

The Frat party held on Saturday night, December 30th, was attended by some fifty and the program was all new. Everybody enjoyed the games. Mr. Fred Wondrack and Mr. Miles Sanders kept the many young folks busy, and deserve praise for the excellent way they handled the event. Mr. Van Eman in the chef's uniform, with the aid of his wife and Chairman H. Fay, prepared some fine eats, which all partook of before going home after midnight.

H. P. NELSON.



## NEW YORK CITY

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## ST. ANN'S CHURCH NOTES

The decease last summer of the beloved Edwin Allan Hodgson left a vacancy on the Vestry of the Church of St. Matthew and St. Timothy, of whose parish St. Ann's Church for the Deaf is a chapel. Since 1909, Mr. Hodgson had officially represented the deaf on this Vestry, bringing before it all reports necessary, and serving as a link between the deaf and the hearing members of the parish. At the Annual Meeting of the Parish of St. Matthew and St. Timothy, Dr. Edwin W. Nies was elected to the office of Vestryman from St. Ann's Chapel, to fill the vacancy. To the communicants of St. Ann's Church it is an occasion for rejoicing that one of them is again honored by admission to the Vestry of the hearing congregation, and especially that in Dr. Nies they were able to find a candidate able to represent them with honor in the councils of the mother church. Dr. Nies has for the past several years been layreader at St. Ann's and active in general parish work, as Vice-President of the Board of Governors. He is a graduate of the Lexington Avenue School for the Deaf and of Gallaudet College, and is a dentist by profession, having received his doctor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

## UNION LEAGUE NOTES

New Year's Eve, December 31st, 1933, was celebrated in New York in an elaborate fashion. There were many private celebrations in the homes of the deaf. The biggest celebration, however, was the semi-public one under the auspices of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League.

Only members and invited guests were admitted, and as it was, the Entertainment Committee had all they could do to entertain the big crowd of over 350 present.

Everyone, on entering the hall, was given a fancy paper cap. There was no music on this occasion, but most of those who came brought with them various kinds of noise-makers. At nine o'clock card games for prizes began. The results were:—

"Five Hundred"—Mrs. Joseph Worzel and Mr. Max Gross. Bridge—Mrs. Marcus L. Kenner and Mr. Joseph Worzel. Whist—Miss Sarah Piperno and Samuel Kalker.

The card games were followed by a vaudeville show. The young deaf magician, Mr. Frisbie, exhibited his skill between acts staged by several members of the League.

Refreshments were served in the recreation room, and consisted of various kinds of sandwiches, cake and hot coffee. There was also a large bowl of punch, and it was very good, being made by Mrs. A. A. Cohn.

The forty-eighth anniversary of the founding of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League was fittingly celebrated on Sunday evening, January 7th, 1934.

This year instead of the usual banquet and speech making, the large assembly room was set aside for a dance. The favorite orchestra of the League furnished the dance music.

Only members and lady guests were privileged at this function, and no admission was charged. Punch and cake were served.

The celebration did not terminate till the wee sma' hours of the morning. It was under the management of the 1933 Entertainment Committee, who deserve special praise for undertaking this affair after laboring throughout the year with a lengthy program of entertainments, all of which were successful, and also included the boat sail last July. This committee were Aaron Hurwit (chairman), Solomon Isaacson, Edward Baum, Gideon Berman and Meyer Weinberger.

Abe Stein spent the Christmas holidays at Hurleysville, N. Y., a winter health resort. He returned home on Friday, January 12th.

## H. A. D.

A movie show was given by the H. A. D. at its Centre last Saturday evening, January 6th. Among the features were: "The Yankee Clipper," "The Rush Hour," and "Crystal Champion Swimmers," all of which furnished over two hours of solid entertainment—educationally and otherwise. The committee, composed of Emil Mulfeld, Sam Greenberg, Hy Gordon and Abraham Barr, is to be congratulated on the fine showing made during the past year.

Attention of our readers is respectfully directed to our "ad" in reference to the "Hodge-Podge Theatrical Show," which will be held under the direction of Chairman Charles Joseph on Sunday evening, January 21st.

## B. H. S. D.

A meeting will be held on Sunday afternoon, January 14th, 1934, and the new officers elected will be installed. Also the Committee of the Council of Jewish Women (Brooklyn Section) will be there. After the meeting, there will be a January Festival.

On Friday evening, January 19th, Victor O. Skyberg, M.A., Superintendent of the New York School for the Deaf, will give a talk before the Society.

On January 26th Bernard J. Shephard, a noted attorney, will give a talk on "Current Events."

Mrs. E. Auerbach, who has been on the Committee of Relief for four consecutive years, will retire.

## OMAHA

A Happy New Year to the JOURNAL readers. The outlook is brighter than for several seasons, thanks to President Roosevelt and his helpers.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar M. Treuke attended a Lutheran church bazaar among the hearing and Mrs. Treuke won the door prize, a beautiful pink satin comfort and also a large cake. It must have seemed like an embarrassment of riches, as she was not expecting such good fortune.

Glenn Hawkins, a teacher at the North Carolina school, got a 55 per cent salary cut, believe it or not, and Glenn resigned and brought his family to Nebraska to stay with his parents till something better turns up.

At the December meeting of the Fontenille Literary Society, Tom L. Anderson gave an excellent reading of "The Song of Three Friends" by Nebraska's own poet, John Neihardt. He used blackboard drawings and interpretations that the least intelligent deaf person could understand. His signs were clear, forceful and expressive and he held the large audience spellbound. Yet some people say he is an oralist. The "Lit" is fortunate in having several lectures by the versatile editor of the *Hawkeye* every year, and is planning to bring three well-known deaf leaders here for the same purpose soon.

Oscar M. Treuke drove his car to Verdigris, Neb., Wednesday, December 13th for a two days visit. He was accompanied by his mother and a lady friend and Miss Viola Tikalsky, who has been staying with relatives and friends in Council Bluffs and Omaha for some time and was called home on account of the serious illness of her mother.

The Joseph Schuyler Long Memorial issue of the Iowa *Hawkeye* is a worthy tribute to the man who inspired it. Dr. Long's many-sided interests are vividly described in short articles by prominent educators and others who knew him. Mr. Anderson and all on the *Hawkeye* staff are to be congratulated on this splendid tribute to their former editor, whose outstanding characteristic was his love for the deaf.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hitshew and daughter spent the holidays with relatives in South Dakota, taking Mrs. Hitshew's parents along.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Treuke were surprised to receive a beautiful walnut four-poster bedstead from Mr. and Mrs. Anton Netusil for a Christmas present. Mr. Netusil, who made it, is one of the best cabinet makers in a school for the deaf anywhere.

Malvin Gomme had an accident to his right hand, and being unable to work for a while, went to visit his folks near Kearney, Nebraska. His daughter, Betty, spent most of her vacation there.

The Episcopal Guild met at the Frank Chases home early in December, with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ormes as host and hostess. A special meeting was also held at the F. A. Clayton home, and the January meeting was held with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Mullin. Business matters were discussed.

HAL AND MEL.

## SEATTLE

The N. F. S. D.'s annual New Year Party, December 30th, had an attendance of 120. The evening started with a grand march, various games, bridge and dancing. An Adagio dance by a young girl and a couple of boys was a feature. Numerous prizes were awarded to winners of the contests. Four boxes of chocolates for door prizes went to the lucky people. Hot dogs and coffee were served. The committee in charge were Claire Reeves, W. E. Brown, A. H. Koberstein and A. W. Wright, and their assistants were Mrs. Arthur Martin and Miss Sophia Mullin.

Out-of-town visitors were Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jack, of Chehalis; Miss Coffin, of Portland; Mrs. Charles Lawrence, Mr. Bjorkquest, of Vancouver, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. George Riley, of Victoria, British Columbia; Mrs. Albert Lorenz, Mr. and Mrs. Hall, and Messrs. Stebbins, Goetz, Scanlon and Rowland, of Tacoma; and Mr. and Mrs. E. Frederickson, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Oliver and Mr. Fischer, of Everett; and James Carlile, of Indiana.

Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Westermann experienced a most enjoyable and exciting time, going to Vancouver, British Columbia, through the flood, December 21st and 22d. To make a long story short, they encountered a wide expanse of swiftly flowing water. While driving through it, they could feel how the water was continually dragging the rear end of the car around, and it almost put their faithful gasoline buggy out of commission. The water did look awfully cold and wet. Water ahead of them, behind them, under them, and water coming down in streams from above. When the other side of the Jordan was reached they heaved a sigh of relief. Their two young sons, Harland and Teddy, who accompanied them, said it was a great thrill.

But that drive, which was a detour, when the road is completed will be one of beauty. There lies in those hills a lake of charm seldom found.

On the evening of the 21st, the attendance at the church in Vancouver, British Columbia, was large. The next day our minister and his wife were the guests of honor at the Christmas turkey dinner in Beverly Court Hall. It was an elegant dinner, and the hall was nice indeed. There were over 100 deaf, including their families and a few friends. After dinner a fine program of various entertainments was in progress. Rev. Westermann made a speech and interpreted it too. He claims that they love to use the longest and hardest words in the Webster when having an interpreter. On the tree there were gifts and a generous sack of candy and nuts for each child.

Among the Vancouver deaf, eighteen have signed to join the Lutheran Church. Congratulations.

Instead of the monthly luncheon for the Seattle ladies, Mrs. Bert Haire opened her house to both men and women for dinner December 18th. So we brought roast beef, vegetables,

salads and pies, and each brought a gift. Mrs. Haire served two extra vegetables, coffee and the trimmings. The twenty-five friends had quite a feast around the long, beautifully-decorated table in the living and dining rooms. A large Christmas ornamented box containing the presents was brought in for the guests to grab the gifts. They all were very nice and useful. Mrs. W. E. Brown and Mrs. Pauline Gustin won prizes at bridge before the lively party ended.

Mrs. Editha Ziegler entertained a dozen friends with a lovely luncheon the evening before Christmas, at the home of Mrs. Pauline Gustin. Those present were Mrs. Gustin, Miss Sophia Mullin, Mr. and Mrs. C. Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Koberstein, and Messrs. Ziegler, Schneider and Waugh. The time passed pleasantly in a game of bridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bradshaw, of Orcas Island, spent their Christmas vacation with Mrs. Bradshaw's brother in Seattle. The visitors were entertained at Mrs. Agatha Hanson's home one evening. Mr. Bradshaw is still at work on the mansion of Dr. Seabury. When it is finished it will be the largest and best residence with eighteen rooms on the island.

Mrs. Robert Rogers and her two little boys, of Ellensburg, came to Seattle for our New Year's party and to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Riley and their young daughter, Kathleen, of Victoria, British Columbia, are with Mrs. Riley's people for several days. They plan going to Vancouver, Wash., to see the school for the deaf, from which Mr. Riley graduated, and to Portland to visit old friends.

It was a big Christmas Day at the Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer, December 24th. Rev. Westermann's sermon was interesting and instructive, and among the ladies rendering beautiful Christmas carols was Mrs. Westermann, who did exceedingly well. Mrs. Sallie Clark was confirmed into the Lutheran faith. Bags of candy and Jap oranges were distributed among the audience. Mrs. Chas. Lawrence, of Vancouver, took a bus, to Seattle, through the flood, and it took her twelve hours—twice as long. There are floods nearly everywhere in this State, although they are receding. Mrs. Lawrence is visiting her brother, Claire Reeves, and Mrs. Reeves.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bodley and their daughters were in Tacoma with their other daughter, Mrs. Paulson, for Christmas, as on Thanksgiving Day they had a turkey dinner with Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lorenz and others.

While Mrs. Emily Eaton was in Tacoma with her sister for Thanksgiving, she had Mrs. A. W. Lorenz and other friends as her dinner guests. Her niece took her out to see friends in her nice car.

On Thanksgiving Day about twenty-five deaf friends from Yakima and vicinity, gathered at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rogers in Ellensburg and remained there from ten o'clock until two the next morning. A big chicken dinner was served at noon and a hot luncheon in the evening. Various games were indulged in during their visit there.

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Dec. 31, 1933.

## A Busy Time

The judge looked at the trembling and bewildered witness, and his face took on its most benign expression.

"Now, my good woman," he said, cheerfully, "you have only to answer in the fewest possible words these simple questions: Whether when you were crossing the street with the baby on your arm, and the omnibus was coming down on the right, and the cab on the left, and the brougham was trying to pass the omnibus, you saw the plaintiff between the brougham and the cab, or the brougham and the omnibus, whether he seemed in haste, and which one of the three cabs coming from the other direction he appeared to you to be hailing."



## OHIO

Principal and Mrs. Roy Nilson invited some of the Columbus deaf to spend the evening of December 28th, at their home on Franklin Avenue, to renew their friendship with Mrs. Nilson's parents, Rev. and Mrs. Whildin, of Baltimore, Md. Those present reported a pleasant evening and the gathering broke up at a late hour. All were glad to be able to greet the guests and hope they can often come to Columbus now.

Mr. J. F. Pershing, of Springfield, writing to the *Ohio Chronicle*, reports that Fred Rudolph, of that city, after leaving the day school there entered the Springfield High School and although deaf, is making fine progress, but he also says that Fred, in answering the question how he is able to make such fine progress, said, "Frequently my teachers give me extra help and very often my classmates furnish me with the essential parts of assignments." Young Rudolph was honest surely and didn't give all the credit to lip-reading.

December 29th, in the early afternoon, found quite a number of deaf ladies mysteriously meeting and then going to the Greener home on Franklin Avenue, to surprise Mrs. Robert Thomas (May Greener) on the tenth anniversary of her marriage. It was some time before anyone answered the doorbell and later we found that May seeing so many on the porch and wearing a house dress hesitated about opening the door. The surprise was gotten up by the members of the Stitch and Chatter Club, and a few non-members were favored with an invitation. If ever anyone was surprised May was and Mr. Greener also. When he saw so many ladies in the room he hurried to get on a collar and tie as he had been resting and was not expecting company. Fine gifts, all useful household articles, were tendered the blushing May. Mrs. Neutzling brought along a delicious bride's cake on which were a miniature bride and groom, and this was served with ice-cream bells, candy and nuts. A toast was given to the bride and groom, as all drank cranberry juice. When Mr. Thomas arrived home he was as greatly surprised as Mrs. Thomas and Mr. Greener had been earlier.

Those present were Mrs. A. B. Davis, Mrs. Ella Zell, Mrs. A. J. Beckert, Mrs. Wm. Zorn, Mrs. Jos. Neutzling, Mrs. C. Charles, Mrs. W. Wark, Mrs. J. Winemiller, Miss B. MacGregor, Mrs. A. Ohlemacher, Mrs. L. Mayer, Mrs. H. Cook, Mrs. E. Mather and Miss B. Edgar. All left wishing Mr. and Mrs. Thomas many more years of married happiness.

December 30th, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Mather left to spend the New Year's festivities in Richmond, Ind. Mrs. Mather returned today, January 3d, to begin her school work tomorrow.

Miss Dorothy Winemiller spent her Christmas vacation in Columbus with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Winemiller.

Now that the holidays are of the past, folks are beginning to get to work in earnest. All have made mistakes during the past year which they hope to correct from now on. If each can do just a little bit better in 1934 than in 1933, he will have accomplished a great deal.

The following was clipped from the *Columbus Dispatch* of January 2d:—

When you talk to Elmore Faine, you are amazed because he answers your questions before they are completed. He explains that being almost totally deaf he reads lips, but it seems more like he were reading the mind.

Faine is an Ohio State University graduate in chemical engineering who was told that he never could get through the university because of his handicap. Reading text books was not sufficient! He must also be able to hear the explanations and lectures of his professors, university officials told him.

About that time the university's department of phonetics had perfected courses in lip-reading under Dr. G. Oscar Russell and Miss Marie K. Mason.

Faine registered in lip-reading courses while carrying the difficult chemical engineering schedule, and on December 22d he received his degree, the only hard-of-hearing student in the United States to become a chemical engineer.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Faine, New Straitsville, had the pleasure of seeing their fifth child become a university graduate at the convocation exercises in university chapel.

One of their sons is a West Point graduate, one an Annapolis graduate, while another son and a daughter received their degrees from Ohio University where the sixth son is studying.

Lip reading is difficult, the deaf student explains, until he is familiar with the speaker and the subject of conversation. Knowing these things, he can anticipate what one is saying before the words have been spoken. He experienced little difficulty in classes unless the professor turned his face from the class or changed the subject suddenly.

Faine speaks in a normal tone of voice and enunciates perfectly, although he can barely hear his own voice. He has made an especial study of pronunciation, using the phonetic method.

The extra-curricular activities of college life were another interest of the deaf student. He belongs to Phi Delta Chi fraternity, 176 Fifteenth Avenue, and played basketball, football, track and boxing. Before entering Ohio State he went to the University of Cincinnati where he was welter-weight boxing champion.

Those of us who depend somewhat upon lip reading will agree with Mr. Faine in that being familiar with the speaker and the subject of conversation, it is much easier to read the lips, as one sort of anticipates what is to be said.

Jan. 3.

## The Sunshine City

By Rev. Franklin C. Smielau

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA., Dec. 31, 1933.—My old friend, Mr. Renner, has asked me to write something about this City of Sunshine, so this being the last day of the year it will be a pleasure to sit down and tell the readers of the JOURNAL all I can about it. However, no one can do justice to the beauty of the place for it is beyond description. One must come and see for himself.

When I left Pennsylvania November 9th, I had no idea what I would find when I reached my destination. When I read about the cold weather up in the North, my heart runs over with gratitude to the Lord that I was able to come here. The lowest temperature has been around 45 (about 3 or 4 A.M.) and the highest 82 in the shade on my front porch.

Today it is 81 and an old man just passed by with his coat on his arm and wearing a straw hat. Christmas was a nice warm day and we all felt as though it was July 4th. (They celebrate Christmas here with fireworks.)

St. Petersburg is 270 miles southwest of Jacksonville. Fanned by soft winds blowing from the Gulf of Mexico on the west and Tampa Bay on the east, tempering the warmth of summer and banishing winter's chill, with nights cool and pleasant; with almost every day an "outdoors" day; with the purest artesian water for drinking, it is no wonder that physical well-being rises to the highest mark here.

Tall pines towering solemnly, sentinel royal palms, waterscapes of little lakes and bayous come into view as some wooded corner is rounded. The big blue Bay and the rolling Gulf are the scenes of warmth and beauty that dwellers in frozen countries hang upon their walls and love to look upon. But when you come here, you are living right in the picture—a part of your world of dreams and desire.

Mangoes and avocado pears, guavas, and papayas or "paw-paw," and bananas and pineapples mingle with the commoner citrus fruit trees such as oranges, grapefruit, lime and lemon. The magnolia, of glossy leaf and immense, fragrant, creamy blossoms, grows here with oaks and many varieties of evergreens.

Some of the vines are perfect curtains of glowing colors, the purple bougainvillea, the orange and red begonia and trumpet flower, the white and yellow jasmine, and the golden allemander. St. Petersburg's own special flower is the vivid green and red poinsetta. Hibiscus and

poincianas, many-hued oleanders, rubber trees, and cacti are seen in perfection. Roses bloom all the year; and in the spring, the perfume of orange blossoms is everywhere, so I have been told.

Bathing in the Gulf or Bay is a favorite diversion of residents and tourists. There are few days when it is too cold to enjoy a "dip." It is now fifty days since I came to Florida and there has been plenty of sunshine every day. The *Evening Independent*, one of the local papers, gives away absolutely free to everybody its entire Home Edition with thousands of extra copies every day that the sun does not shine up to the hour of going to press. The paper sells for five cents a copy and I have not received a free copy so far. We have not had half an inch of rain the past two months.

One does not lack for other amusement here. It is just like Atlantic City in summertime. The new million-dollar municipal pier on the north beach extends from a perfect, hard white beach, 1,400 feet into the bay, providing amply for a trolley way, an automobile drive and for pedestrians. There is a fine bath-house, furnishing hot, cold, salt and sulphur baths.

The disciples of Izaak Walton will find ample opportunity here to display their skill. The catches of Spanish mackerel, sheepshead, grouper, trout, snapper and many other edible fishes are so large as to be almost unbelievable to those not acquainted with the facts. Great sport is had also in catching the enormous jewfish. The great "silver king" or leaping tarpon comes into the waters around the keys late in the spring, and until the end of summer fishermen from near and far are out to catch the "silver beauties" running from 75 to 200 pounds in weight.

Thirty miles south of here, across Tampa Bay, is Sarasota, where the Ringling Brothers Circus has its winter headquarters. (It will interest many of the deaf to know that Mr. John Ringling married a sister of Mrs. Bert Wortman of Cincinnati, and Mrs. William Wark of Columbus.) Forty miles north is located the Tarpon Springs sponge industry, the largest in the world. It is a Greek monopoly, with an export business of a million dollars a year.

The cost of living is comparatively cheap. There is no need for coal to heat the homes, and when it does get a little chilly two sticks of yellow pine will heat a good-sized living room. Rents range from three dollars a week for a nice furnished room, and a well-furnished cottage with all city conveniences can be had from \$20 per month, up to a swell estate along the beach or Gulf drives for \$1200 a season.

Through a friend in Williamsport I was fortunate in securing a good three-bedroom cottage in an exclusive section for \$90 a season (6 or 7 months.) Fruits and vegetables are cheap and plentiful. The best and biggest oranges are now selling at 20 cents a dozen and fine grapefruit seven for twenty cents. A year ago I paid twenty-five cents for two grapefruit not as good in Columbus.

Today I had fresh home grown strawberries for which I paid twenty cents a pint and in a couple of weeks the price will be around twenty-five cents a quart. The berries are of a lovely red color and very delicious. However, milk is seventeen cents a quart and fresh eggs are fifty cents a dozen.

There is a small colony of deaf from the North around here. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cory, formerly of Dayton, O., live in a fine home on Bay Street, three blocks from my place. Dr. Robert Patterson, who served as teacher and principal in the Ohio School for fifty-two years, is at the Tarrymore Hotel, a block away. The good Doctor has just passed his eighty-fifth birthday and it is remarkable that he can get around as well as men much younger than himself. I have

spent many pleasant hours with him, and if I had my choice I do not know of any man to whom I could listen by the hour and enjoy more than my old friend.

I know there was a time some twenty-five years ago when Dr. Patterson and Mr. Robert P. MacGregor together stood as peers among all the deaf of the world. They were two of the best sign-makers in the country, literary men and real champions of the Combined Method. They knew from experience what was best for the deaf pupil and put their hearts and souls into their work. And they loved to associate with the deaf at all times, they knew, felt and understood their handicaps.

There are many others like these two I have named, most have gone to their reward, so we who knew and still love them, give hearty thanks to the Lord for their good works, and proudly call them benefactors and friends. It has been my privilege to know these friends for fifty years. David R. Tillinghast, hale and hearty at ninety-two, is one of the oldest retired deaf teachers in the country. He is running a good race against John D. Rockefeller for the longevity prize and is our one best bet. Some of his children are now high up in the educational profession, one son is Superintendent of the South Dakota School, and a daughter is Principal of the Intermediate department at the Iowa School.

We had him at a party last week and the good patriarch entertained us with many of his anecdotes and experiences. Then there is another retired teacher, Henry Bierhaus, from Vincennes, Indiana. He taught in the Indiana School for thirty-eight years. He is a man of culture and refinement and has travelled far and wide. He is staying with Mr. and Mrs. James K. Watson. Mr. Watson worked for Uncle Sam in the Post Office at Chicago for forty-one years and is now living on a moderate pension.

By the way, Mr. Watson was not here more than a month when he was taken ill and underwent an operation at St. Anthony's Hospital. He is greatly improved and will soon be as nimble as he was when he cavorted around the baseball fields years ago. He is seventy-seven, a month younger than Mr. Bierhaus.

We are expecting our good Uncle Abe Greener down here soon, then we will have five of our fellow deaf men, all over seventy-seven, and with a combined age of 416 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert P. Souder are in a nice cottage out on Thirty-fourth Avenue, North. Mr. Souder worked in several of the Government Departments in Washington for thirty-five years and is now drawing a pension which will keep him and his charming wife on easy street for the rest of their lives.

Mr. and Mrs. P. DeBerry, formerly in charge of the school at Romney, West Virginia, are wintering here, also Mr. and Mrs. A. U. Downing of Wilkesburg, Pa. Mr. Downing taught in the Ohio and Western Pennsylvania Schools for forty-eight years.

So we are in good company and when we all get together it will be some "conference" of hoary-headed philosophers. The other Sunday we conducted a service at St. Peter's Church and learned afterwards that it was the first service given by an ordained deaf clergyman of the Episcopal Church in the city. The offering amounted to six dollars which was sent to the Dixie Home for the Aged and Infirm Deaf at Moultrie, Fla., as a little Christmas gift.

Before closing we take this opportunity to thank our many friends for their kind Christmas greetings, and to wish all the deaf of America every possible happiness during 1934.

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## Canadian News

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### TORONTO TIDINGS

Our junior choir rendered a very pleasing Christmas song at our service on December 24th. The name of the piece given was "Rolling Down Through the Midnight," and was in keeping with the occasion. Those in this choir were Misses Carrie Buchan (Leader), Adeline Lowson and Erna Sole, and Messrs. Jack Angus, Anival Shepherd, Jr., and Walter Daniels. Miss Evelyn Elliott gave in fascinating strains "In the Fields With Their Flocks, Abiding" at the close.

After their week-end trip of December 16th, to Beaverton, where Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson spent the time with the latter's parents, they, accompanied by their daughter, Amy, and Charlie's mother, Mrs. Otto Kuehn, left immediately for Bracebridge, where they enjoyed the Yuletide recess with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wilson.

The *Daily Star* of a recent date had a photogravure and brief write-up of Mrs. Charles Lightfoot, who celebrated her seventy-third natal day on December 25th, so she had a double event to enjoy on our Saviour's birthday. Mrs. Lightfoot, who is well known to hundreds of the deaf, is the mother of our late William Lightfoot, and is still in good spirits. One of her uncles, Mr. John Phillips, ran the historic "Old Mill" on the Humber River over one hundred years ago, and the ruins of this familiar flour mill are still standing and of great interest to tourists.

On December 24th, the Rev. Georg Almo gave one of the best sermons we have seen him give since he came here as our pastor. His subject clearly explained the advent of a Saviour to this world and His purpose of coming as destined by God. He came for but one purpose and that was to save and claim us as His own to dwell for all time in Glory on His Sands of Gold, and forever be under His Majestic and Perpetual Care and Love.

We all deeply sympathize with Mrs. George W. Reeves upon the death of her aged and beloved mother, the late Mrs. Frederick Zingg, who beckoned to His Supreme Call on December 22d, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Reeves on Lansdowne Avenue, in her ninety-second year. She deceased had been in failing health for some time past and near the end, because seriously ill. A good many of the deaf here took a last view of her familiar features, ere she was laid to rest beneath the sod on December 26th. She formerly lived in Hanover and Walkerton.

There is living at 420 Armadale Avenue, and not far from the writer's home, a very intelligent young man, who has spent much time in trying to acquire a masterly knowledge of the beautiful emotional language of the deaf in order to become a spiritual instructor to the deaf, though he can hear and speak like any ordinary normal person. His name is Vincent McGivney and every time he calls at "Mora Glen" or on any of the deaf a great improvement in his conversation in our language is seen.

He is one of the thousands who are strongly convinced that the signs are more essential to the deaf, and has often said that he has met a goodly number of orally taught deaf, but he could understand, but a few in their proper pronounciations.

Frequently he was puzzled as to what they were saying that he was obliged to procure a pad and pencil to make out their wants. He is more than ever convinced that the lip-reading system is only a passing fad, which blooms at their training base and fades into oblivion as they drift into the untried world, but the beautiful sign-language goes on forever, and during the recent Yuletide recess a striking instance of a transformation in the mode of conversation was noticeable among the young scholars home from Belleville for the holidays.

Knowing they were being taught by the lip-reading method, they were asked many and varied questions orally, but to our surprise and chagrin, they were so suddenly and embarrassingly caught that they implored of us to use the signs, which we gladly did knowing only too well that our own perfected code was the most useful instrument of conversation among the deaf yet invented by any mortal.

So here is seen the very proof of the fallacy of the lip-reading system, and yet we cannot understand why so much expense, time and labor is wasted in trying to perfect a system that has been so long tried and is yet found wanting.

In the good old days when the Combined System was the only means of teaching the deaf, those who were educationally benefited in this way are still the best educated class of educated deaf we know of and this opinion is shared by the vast majority of people who have come in contact with the deaf.

Mr. John B. Stewart hied away to his old home in Hamilton, where he enjoyed Christmas week with his sisters and other relatives.

In the obituary write-up of the death of the father of Rev. Georg Almo, which appeared in the *JOURNAL* a few weeks ago, it was stated that the King of Sweden had bestowed the name of Almo upon him when he was but two years old, but it should have read as bestowed upon him two years ago. We are glad to give the correction.

We understand that Miss Florence Eldridge, of Ottawa, was up to this city for the Christmas recess, though none whom we interviewed had seen her.

Our Young People's Euchre Club held its weekly gathering on December 29th, at the parental home of Gordon Richardson, and as usual a merry time was spent.

Mrs. Ben Johnson and daughters Myrtle and Ruby, of Jarvis, were the guests of Mrs. Johnson's brother at "Mora Glen" for several days between Christmas and New Year's.

Our Women's Association is staging a "Balloon Social" in the gym of our church on January 27th, and a good time is assured for all, and if you want a balloon ascension thrill come and enjoy this treat.

There were no Kicuwa Club, Bible Class, or Y. P. S. meetings during the week running between Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Everybody seemed too busy or tired out from the excitement of the Christmas activities.

Knowing it was best to enjoy Christmas by the fireside and with ye old folks. at home, Miss Evelyn Durant hurried away to Guelph to enjoy such an unalloyed spirit at her parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. George J. Timpson, of Mimico, came into this city the other day and later left for Oshawa to attend the funeral of a dear old friend, whom Mrs. Timpson had known and loved for so long. They returned home the following day.

On December 30th, a free social was held at our church, in honor of the coming of the Rev. H. C. Merrill, of Syracuse, N. Y., it being his first visit to our church, and the large turnout warmly welcomed him with open arms. He is a very fine gentleman and very modest, and our only regret was that his sojourn here was rather too brief. The evening was then spent in games and conversation, with light refreshments served near the close.

On the following afternoon, Rev. Mr. Merrill gave a very able sermon from the St. Matthew verses of "Golden Rules" that were exceptionally interesting, especially when he came to that ever pulsating chord, "Come, ye sinners and lay your sins at His feet and in return receive His pardoning grace." A well filled edifice of over one hundred Christ loving souls turned up at his service.

Immediately following Rev. Mr. Merrill's sermon, all present remained in their seats to partake of Holy Communion which the Rev. Georg Almo conducted for the first time. Prior to the Merrill sermon, one of the finest and smartly rendered duets we have seen in a long time was flawlessly rendered by Mesdames Maude Roberts and Jessie Watt. The second verse of this deep touching hymn reads thus:—

Hide me when the storm is raging,  
Over Life's troubled sea.  
Like a dove on the ocean billows,  
O, let me fly to Thee.

At the close our intermediate choir, under the leadership of Mrs. Gladys Doyle, again evoked deep interest with the rendition of this constantly wanting message, "Take Away the World, but Give Me Jesus." Besides the leader the others in this choir were Mesdames Margaret Harris, Muriel Tate, Mary Robinson and L. Colclough. Mrs. Doyle again rendered a solo after the sacramental service. The Rev. Mr. Merrill returned home on January 2d.

Miss Doris Meyers, of Edgewood, Pa., and a friend of the Rev. Georg Almo, was a visitor to this city for a couple of days

between Christmas and New Year's Days, as guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Doyle. Owing to her mother's serious illness, she regretted she could not remain here longer.

Mr. Charles McLaren, of Mimico, who comes in alone very often though four and a half score years of age, came in for our social on December 30th, but seeing it was very late when the party broke up, Mr. and Mrs. George Elliott made him stay as their guest over night, in order to attend our service next day.

Mr. and Mrs. George J. Timpson and the latter's father, Mr. Charles McLaren, of Mimico; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Roberts and A. W. Mason, of this city, received invitations to attend the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Ormiston at Raglan on the first of the New Year, and in spite of the almost impassible traveling conditions Mr. and Mrs. Roberts were prepared to go out, when, at the eleventh hour, a message came flashing over the wires from Miss Agnes Ormiston to "Mora Glen," stating that, owing to a sudden outbreak of sickness in the family, the event was called off, at least for the present. We sincerely trust the illness that intervened will not be serious or last long. The countless friends everywhere of this blessed couple, who have steered their matrimonial ship of happy and prosperous bliss through the storms of half a century wish for them many more years of comfort and ease down the channel that leads us all to the Eternal Sunset.

### WYOMING WAVES

At the end of last October, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Stewardson, of Forest, and Miss Grace Watts, of Thedford, motored over and spent a day with the William Wark family.

As the Warks are well-known as kind and jovial entertainers, and the above mentioned visitors enjoyed such a good time, they could not resist of going again.

So on December 15th, they took another motor trip to the familiar Wark homestead for another good time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Perkie Wiggins, of Dunganon (nee Jean Wark), spent the Christmas recess most pleasantly under the latter's parental roof here. They both look very well and happy.

Before the Wiggins took their departure for home, they in company with Mr. and Mrs. Wark and son Eric, took a trip to Sarnia, and gave the Hendersons a cheery call, who in return gave them a tasty lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mackie and children, of Dresden, and Mr. and Mrs. LeBlanc, of Detroit, spent the Christmas and New Year's holidays, with Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Leckie, of Sarnia, parents of Mrs. Mackie and Mrs. LeBlanc, and in the meantime made calls on the Hendersons.

HERBERT W. ROBERTS.

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Meets second Sunday of each month except July and August, at the Hebrew Educational Society Building, Hopkinson and Sutter Avenues, Brooklyn.

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Meets first Thursday evening each month at St. Mark's Parish House, 230 Adelphi Street, near DeKalb Avenue, Brooklyn.

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Reserved for

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## Charity Ball

Saturday, March 10th, 1934

(Particulars later)



**Hatford, Ct.**

The Save-a-Member Club held a Depression Dance, December 2d, at Odd Fellows' Hall, in order to make a final drive for the raising of the money needed to help pay the dues of the less fortunate Fraters. What a depression! Nearly one hundred people, from their homes in the vicinity of this city, attended that social.

The dance was not the only main attraction on the program, for there were also two plays, which were performed by the school girls who were willing to cultivate their dramatic talents during their Thanksgiving vacation. The plays were well commended by the optience. The affair was supervised by Miss Ruth Fish, chairman, and her aides, Mesdames Harry Fancher and Edgar Luther, Mr. William F. Durian, and Miss Laura Kosinski.

At the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Rockwell, December 16th, the members of the Connecticut Chapter of the G. C. A. A. were entertained with two mental games and a balloon croquet that were new and exciting to the participants. As a result, Mrs. Joseph W. Bouchard and Miss Edna Taylor were tied in having won equal shares of points; however, the former, by drawing a high card, was given the prize.

On the afternoon of December 17, the Silent Guild of the Christ Church had a Christmas Supper, with an attendance of over 50 people. The menu consisted of roast pork, potato salad, jello, and coffee. Those partaking seemed to enjoy the gathering and the supper. E. S.

**The St. Ann's Players**

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**"The School for Scandal"***A Comedy of Manners*

By Richard Brinsley Sheridan

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**Saturday Eve., January 20, 1934****Admission, - - - 35 Cents****Reserved Seats, - - - 50 Cents**

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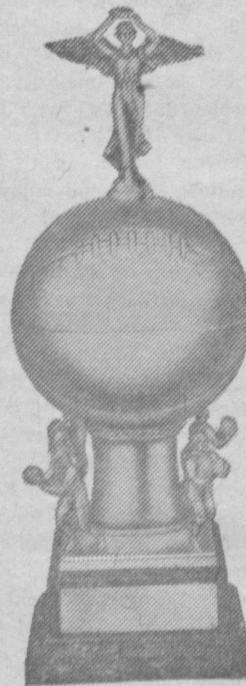
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**BRYANT HALL**1087 Sixth Avenue, between 41st and 42d Streets  
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Doors open at 7 P.M. Games begin at 8:15 P.M.

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For Second Leg on Father McCarthy Memorial Trophy

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